

## Coroner's Jury Is Called For Inquest In Highway Death

Perquimans Coroner Dr. C. A. Davenport on Tuesday morning summoned a coroner's jury to conduct an inquest in the death of William Isaac Lowe, Jr., 31-year-old Hertford Negro, who died in the Albemarle Hospital at 8:15 Sunday night following an accident which occurred on Highway about four and a half miles north of Hertford at a spot known as Newbold curve.

Members of the jury, which gathered Tuesday to view the body, are J. W. Dillon, W. F. Elliott, Claude Brinn, W. F. Ainsley, Thomas Daij and L. B. Gibbs. The inquest will be held next week.

Doctors at the Albemarle Hospital, according to Patrolman Robert I. Weathersbee, stated Lowe suffered lacerations of the head, a loose left knee and abrasions of the left fore leg. However, it was reported death was believed caused by internal injuries suffered in the accident.

Patrolman Weathersbee, who investigated the accident, stated Lowe was struck by an automobile while he was in the act of changing a flat tire. Mr. Weathersbee said Lowe was driving south toward Hertford when a rear tire went flat and Lowe pulled off the highway, leaving about five inches of the rear fender extended over the roadway, in order to fix the tire and had just removed the hub cap when the accident occurred.

John William Trueblood, 32, former Winfall resident but currently living at Virginia Beach, was headed north. After coming around the curve he started to pass a vehicle and was in the process of this act when his car hit Lowe.

A brother of Trueblood was riding with him at the time and each of them heard a noise, apparently when the side of the automobile hit Lowe. The driver completed passing the car, pulled back in his lane of traffic, stopped on the right shoulder, turned around and went back to see what it was. Weathersbee said he then learned that the man was injured.

Telling him to use his auto, Trueblood sent his brother back in the direction of Winfall to place calls for an ambulance and a highway patrol officer while he remained at the scene with the injured man and four or five of Lowe's Negro male companions.

The dead man is son of Hertford's only Negro undertaker, Isaac Lowe. He operated Perquimans Beach, a Negro recreation center some five miles southwest of Hertford on the Harvey Point road.

## Judging Contest To Precede Sale

A stock judging contest among 4-H and FFA teams of the Albemarle area will be conducted at 10 o'clock Friday, February 6, at the Hertford Livestock and Supply Company.

The contest will be conducted prior to a sale promoted by the Albemarle Purebred Swine Breeders, which will be held at the same place beginning at one o'clock.

## Recorder's Court In Recess Tuesday

Recorder's Court was in recess Tuesday of this week because of the regular civil term of Superior Court being conducted by Judge Malcolm Paul. Cases listed on the docket were set for hearing at a court session to be held next Tuesday in the Council room at the Municipal Building in Hertford.

## Commissioners To Meet Next Monday

Commissioners for Perquimans County will hold their February meeting at the Court House next Monday, beginning at 10 A. M. The meeting is expected to be held in the office of the Register of Deeds since the court room will be used for a special term of civil court.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Possibilities of an international conference concerning Germany and its relations between the East and West appeared brighter this week when Secretary of State Dulles gave assent for a meeting. However, Dulles said he saw nothing concrete in Soviet proposals expressing desire to end the tensions of the cold war.

Following adverse court decisions, Virginia Governor Almond this week called a special session of the Virginia General Assembly to consider a new set of laws to cover that state in regards to the school situation. The Navy has announced efforts are being made to provide education for children of Navy personnel located in the Norfolk area, where schools have been closed recently.

Car manufacturers, according to a news report this week, are giving thought to complaints registered by car buyers over the quality of their products. The companies, the report said, are conducting studies toward improving production to eliminate body rusting, rattles, leads and other shoddy assembly of cars.

A Washington report has announced Senators Humphrey (D-Minn.) and Talmage (D-Ga.) are working on a new farm program law aimed at tightening production control through acreage allotment but at the same time curtailing subsidy payments to large land owners.

Selective Service is expected to be extended for another four years, following testimony given Congress this week by Defense officials that it will be impossible to maintain the armed forces at needed strength without the draft law.

## Town Commended On Publication Of Booklet

Numerous comments and much praise are being received by the Town of Hertford complimenting the publication of its Bi-Centennial booklet, which was compiled and written by former town clerk, W. G. Newby.

The town forwarded copies of the booklet to all public libraries within North Carolina and typical of the comments is the following letter received by Mayor V. N. Darden from Mrs. Laude Q. Kelsey, librarian of the Shelburne Public Library. The letter stated:

"We are delighted to receive a copy of the booklet Town of Hertford Bi-Centennial 1758-1958. This is a splendid history of your town and county, one deserving of praise of the noteworthy achievements of your good people, both now and in the past. Would that more North Carolina towns took such pride in its history so that our young people and oncoming generations could reap these fine benefits.

"Your publication is an excellent addition to the history collections in our public libraries. We commend you highly for your generosity in distributing the booklets free of charge. It is our sincere conviction that no finer method of public relations could be called into use, and truly hope that, as a result, you will be visited by people from all over the state and from outside the state. You are doing a fine thing for all of North Carolina. May many blessings be yours for your noble gesture in sharing with the entire public the result of many years work."



TOTEM IN THE CAPITOL—Alaska's Sen. E. L. 'Bob' Bartlett dusts a prime example of the totem maker's art as he sets up housekeeping in the Capitol offices in Washington.

## County Historical Society Hears Talk On Friends Church

### Listing Deadline

Perquimans County property owners who have not yet listed their property for 1959 taxes are reminded today by Julian C. Powell, County Tax Supervisor, that Saturday, January 31, is the last day for listing without penalty. Mr. Powell urges those property owners to see list takers in their respective townships immediately in order to avoid the penalty for late listing.

## BPW Club Meeting Held At Home Of Mrs. Betty Swindell

The Perquimans Business and Professional Women's Club held its regular program and covered dish supper at the home of Mrs. Betty Swindell Thursday, January 15.

Following the supper, the president, Mrs. Alice Owens, presided over a short business session and announced that the spring district meeting would be held in Scotland Neck.

Mrs. Essie Burbage, Membership Chairman, was in charge of the program, assisted by Mrs. Dora Riddick and Mrs. Mary Dale Lane. Mrs. Burbage gave a brief resume of women's fight for equal rights, which began in America in July 1848 when a group of strong-willed women and a handful of men met in Seneca, New York. Among the things the ladies of this convention demanded were the vote, the right to hold property and equal educational opportunities.

Mrs. Burbage stated that the current "Who's Who of American Women" listed women in occupations from "A" to "Z" and said that the modern woman is making a name for herself in scores of fields that were once almost the exclusive province of men.

Mrs. Riddick gave a short talk on "Why I Am A Member of a Business and Professional Women's Club." Some of the reasons were (1) It gives me an opportunity for fellowship; (2) It gives me an opportunity to work for worthwhile local civic projects; (3) It gives me an opportunity to participate in a nationwide program to promote the well-being of all women wage earners.

Mrs. Lane gave a brief summary of the local club activities for 1958 and listed some of them as (1) Support of teenage center; (2) Support of mental health clinic; (3) Sponsoring cancer crusade; (4) Sponsoring safety programs in all schools.

## Attended Farm Bureau Convention

Four members of the Perquimans County Farm Bureau were in Raleigh this week attending the annual convention of the N. C. Farm Bureau. Representing the local unit were Preston Nixon, George Winslow, Joe Nowell and R. M. Thompson.

## Superior Court In Session This Week With 6 Trial Cases

### High School PTA To Meet February 5

The PTA of Perquimans High School will meet on Thursday night, February 5, at 7:30 o'clock in the auditorium at the school. An interesting program on the subject of testing and counseling high school pupils will be presented by Mrs. Henry Sullivan. The meeting will last for one hour and all patrons of the school are urged to attend.

## Little Hope Seen For Speed Up On Bridge Project

Little hope is seen by local officials for a speed-up in construction of a new bridge across Raccoon Creek at the south edge of Hertford following a phone conversation last Friday between Mayor V. N. Darden and W. N. Spruill, resident engineer of the Highway Commission.

Numerous complaints have been registered by residents inconvenienced by the detour which must be used while the new bridge is under construction, and as a result of these complaints local officials last week called Mr. Spruill to inquire if a speed-up of the work can be brought about by the district office.

Residents living in the neighborhood of the bridge report no work has taken place at the site during the past two weeks despite the fact that a 120-day time limit was set for construction of the project when the contract was let the last week in September of 1958.

Mr. Spruill informed Mayor Darden he was not aware work on the project had stopped. However, he said the state holds a performance and time limit bond on the project contractor and that when the time limit had expired the state could then demand action.

Reports circulating here relate the contractor sublet the project and the work stoppage came about because of disagreement between the two firms involved. However, Mr. Spruill pointed out the state is looking to the contractor to comply with the terms of the contract, thus finishing the project within the time limit.

## Beverly Tucker Is Alternate Nominee For Scholarship

Six eastern North Carolina high school seniors have been chosen to participate in final interviews during February for coveted Morehead Scholarships at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill.

Selected Wednesday, January 21, at a district committee meeting in Williamston, from among 24 nominees from 19 counties were these six: Theodore Joseph Collier, Jr., Bayboro; Charles Allan Eure, Roduco, Gates County; William Patton McDowell, Elizabeth City; Henry Emanuel Mayer, Kinston; Robert Duane Powell, Wilson; and Richard Wildon Smith, Havelock.

One alternate nominee also was named: William Beverly Tucker III, Hertford.

The six nominees from District I will join 36 other North Carolina schoolboys who will come to Chapel Hill the last week in February for interviewing by the Central Committee of the John Motley Morehead Foundation.

Those who qualify will receive \$5,000 scholarships which provide \$1,250 per year to cover tuition, books, room and board, plus more than \$200 for spending money. Established in 1951 by UNC alumnus John Motley Morehead, industrialist-philanthropist-former diplomat from Rye, N. Y., the scholarship foundation has awarded more than \$800,000 to 179 students. At present there are 117 Morehead Scholars studying at the University.

The January term of Perquimans Superior Court, which convened here Monday with Judge Malcolm Paul presiding, all but brought down during the reading of the calendar when it was determined only six of the 26 cases listed on the calendar were to be heard during the week's term.

However, one of the cases, that of Wilbur Lamb vs. Catherine Lamb, was dismissed when the plaintiff failed to appear to press his suit and six cases were disposed of by judgments being consented to prior to the opening of the term. These cases were those of Curlee Felton vs. J. H. Lilly, Carlton E. Cannon vs. Charles Ward, Ellie Simons vs. Hughie Simons, T. W. Wilson vs. Paul J. White, Nathan Riddick vs. Paul J. White and Sinclair Reining Co. vs. Linwood Godfrey.

Court was recessed Monday at about 11 A. M., when Judge Paul excused the jurors until Tuesday at 10 A. M. Ten of the cases listed on the calendar were continued at the Monday session until later terms of court. Court officials believed the six cases set for trial might not consume more than three days of hearings.

The divorce case of Lycurgus White vs. Olla White was continued until the April term of court when the presiding judge, Malcolm Paul ordered that the defendant be sent notice of the action.

Cases continued included those of William Riddick vs. Mary Riddick, Wiley Welch vs. Frances Welch, H. D. Hurdle vs. J. Van Roach, Y. L. Brown vs. Hertford Construction Co., N. C. Equipment Co. vs. Hertford Construction Co., Hooper Tile Co. vs. Southern Loan Co., Roy S. Chappell and Thomas Chappell vs. Norman Lee Bass, Towe-Webb Motor Co. vs. Hughlet and Mary F. White and Paul Smith, Sr. vs. N. C. State Highway Commission.

Tuesday morning the cases of Percy Skinner and Percy Brothers vs. Charlie Jernigan, in which the plaintiffs sought damages from Jernigan, involving an automobile accident, was started, as the first of the six cases to be tried.

Court opened Tuesday morning with a divorce hearing resulting in a divorce being granted to Wilbur Owens from Nellie R. Owens on grounds of two years separation.

Following this case the trial of Percell Skinner and Percy Brothers vs. Charlie Jernigan et al. was started and it ran well into Thursday morning. Skinner and Brothers sought damages for injuries received in an automobile accident which occurred in May, 1954 on the Harvey Point road near Southern Shores beach.

## Bank Of Edenton Defendant In Case Set For Next Week

One case is listed on the calendar for the civil term of Superior Court which convenes here next week. Judge Malcolm Paul will be the presiding judge.

The case scheduled for trial is one in which Mack Ward is suing the Bank of Edenton involving a savings account he had with the bank.

Jurors drawn for service at this term of court are: Elwood Wilson, Jean Phillips, P. H. Ownley, Jr., Claude Winslow, Reuban Stallings, Marion Copeland, Eugene Boyce, Charles R. Ward, E. W. Biggs, Lonnie Spruill, W. D. Stallings, Melvin Bright, E. A. Turner, C. C. Banks, J. B. Eure, John A. Elliott, Herbert Winslow, A. N. Sims, Joseph C. Layden, Howard Winslow, Howard Long, Holland Hurdle, John Elton Hurdle, W. E. Harrison, Louis Taylor, Curtis Rountree, Wallace Bright, S. D. Jones, Daniel Williams, Willard Copeland, R. S. Monds, Jr., H. R. Miller, Leroy Goodwin, William P. Chappell, J. R. Webb and Oris Rountree.



WASH DAY—A tree grows in Brooklyn, N.Y., all right, but it's almost swallowed up by the jungle of clotheslines on wash day. Helping out the lady of the house, a husband hangs out a few things to dry from the fire escape of a house on McDonough Street.

## Annual Fund Drive For March Of Dimes Set For Next Week

Preparations are now being completed for the annual March of Dimes fund drive, which will be conducted throughout Perquimans County next Monday and Tuesday, February 2, and 3, it was reported today by Mrs. Corbin Dozier, chairman of the local committee for the National Foundation.

Mrs. Dozier stated the committee will conduct a highly concentrated drive this year, concluding the entire canvass within two days time. Volunteer solicitors who aided the committee by making a house to house canvass last year are being asked to serve again for the 1959 drive.

The chairman emphasized the drive will continue only two days and individuals desiring to contribute to the National Foundation fund are requested to have donations ready when solicitors call at the home since there will be no call-backs.

Since the fund campaign conducted last year, the National Foundation has expanded its scope of research and other activities on professional education and medical care to include virus diseases, arthritis and birth defects.

Speaking of the enlarged program, Jack McGee, Eastern State Representative for the National Foundation, in a letter pertaining to the local drive said:

"We are extremely pleased that Perquimans County will conduct a vigorous March of Dimes campaign again this year."

"You are certainly aware of the expanded program of the National Foundation including an initial attack against the leading cause of crippling and the nation's largest unmet childhood health problem — arthritis and birth defects. This enlarged program is a logical extension of our eminent victory over polio, enabling us to utilize our experience and know-how for the good of mankind. I am personally confident that significant contributions in these fields will be made by our common efforts."

## Board Of Education To Meet Wednesday

The February meeting of the Perquimans Board of Education will be held on next Wednesday night, February 4, at 7 o'clock in the auditorium of the Hertford Grammar School. It was reported today by J. T. Biggers, school superintendent.

The meeting will open as a joint gathering of the members of the Board of Education and all white teachers of the county. Following this the Board of Education will go into an executive session at which time it will confer with any persons desiring to present business to the board.

## Indians - Squaws Score Victories Over Williamston

The Perquimans Indians and Squaws scored impressive victories over Williamston High School basketball teams here last Tuesday night. The win by the Squaws was the sixth conference victory of the season, giving the Perquimans girls top place in the Albemarle Conference standing.

Letitia McGoogan, scoring 30 points, led the Perquimans team to a 45-29 win. The local girls led 10 to 6 at the end of the first period and ran this advantage to 25-14 at half time. They added 16 points in the third quarter and four in the final. Williamston tallied six points in the third period and nine in the fourth. Brown scored 8 points for Perquimans, Phthisic 3 and Spears and Skinner got 2 each. V. Griffin was leading scorer for the Williamston girls with 14 points.

The Perquimans Indians bounced back from a couple of losses to Plymouth and Scotland Neck to sink the Williamston boys' team for the second time this year by a score of 48 to 31. Seven members of the Indian squad broke into the scoring column to rack up the 17 point advantage. Chesson canned 11 points for the Indians, followed by Burton with 10, Colson 8, White 8, Tucker 6, Nixon 3 and Tarkington 2. Paradise hit for 7 points for the visitors while Tise got 5 and Wynne 8.

The Indians jumped into a 13-8 lead during the first quarter and outscored Williamston 11 to 6 in the second period to hold a 24 to 14 lead at half time. Perquimans added nine points to its total in the third period and Williamston was held to five. In the final quarter Perquimans tallied 15 points while holding Williamston to 12.

Friday night the Perquimans teams travel to Scotland Neck for return games and on next Tuesday night the Indians and Squaws will play the Ahoskie teams on the local court.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wollard announce the birth of a son, born Thursday, January 22, at the Albemarle Hospital. Mrs. Wollard is the former Miss Louise Jordan.

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Mr. and Mrs. Keith Haskett announce the birth of a son, born Tuesday morning, January 27, at the Albemarle Hospital.